Spelling errors in CBSE Examination

1213. SHRI MANOJ BHATTACHARYA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Board of Secondary Education has decided not to penalise the examinees for the Class X and XII examinations for English spellings in Science and some specific subjects in Humanities Streams;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(c) Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) No, Sir. Examinees are not penalised for spellings in the assessment of questions framed to test the reading skills in the question papers of English Communicative, Class X and English Core and Functional English, Class XII.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Adult Education Scheme

†1214. SHRIMATI KUM KUM RAI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the States where adult education scheme is in progress;

(b) the number of persons who have benefitted under this scheme during the last three years, State-wise; and

(c) the details of the amount spent on this scheme in those States during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) and (b) A Statement showing the names of States where Adult Education Schemes are in progress and persons benefitted thereunder during the period from 2001-02 to 2003-04, as per information received, is enclosed (*See* below).

(c) The amount spent during the last three years under the schemes of NLM is as under:

2002-03	Rs. 216.29 core
2003-04	Rs. 232.50 core
2004-05	Rs. 236.47 crore

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Statement

Names of States where Adult Education Schemes are in progress and the persons benefitted thereunder during the period 2001-02 to 2003-04

(in lakhs)

Sl.No.	State/UT	No. of Beneficiaries		
		2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
1.	Andhra Pradesh	76.77	63.86	68.94
2.	Assam	3.60	12.88	7.33
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	0	0	0
4.	Bihar	4.85	9.74	49.58
5.	Chhattisgarh	2.27	4.20	0.58
6.	Delhi	0.09	0.16	0.25
7.	Goa	0.01	0.05	0.03
8.	Gujarat	5.39	7.12	8.19
9.	Haryana	2.14	0.85	0.80
10.	Himachal Pradesh	1.10	1.05	1.05
11.	Jammu & Kashmir	0.03	0.04	0.04
12.	Jharkhand	0.20	9.94	8.17
13.	Karnataka	22.19	36.41	64.40
14.	Kerala	69.62	24.21	34.55
15.	Madhya Pradesh	4.53	33.89	51.28
16.	Maharashtra	14.98	12.16	22.63
17.	Manipur	0	0	0.03
18.	Mizoram	0.34	0.35	0.34
19.	Meghalaya	0	0.43	0
20.	Orissa	5.44	4.24	8.20
21.	Punjab	0.69	0.18	0.07
22.	Rajasthan	15.05	21.88	31.15

S.No.	State/UT	No. of Beneficiaries		
		2001-02	2002-03	2003-04
23.	Tamil Nadu	14.45	12.14	48.26
24.	Tripura	0	1.54	1.52
25.	Uttar Pradesh	10.69	9.81	25.23
26.	Uttaranchal	0	0.12	0.19
27.	West Bengal	48.07	49.76	33.72
28.	Chandigarh	0.70	0.63	0.61
29.	Pondicherry	0.74	0.70	0.80
	TOTAL	303.94	318.34	467.96

Suicide due to stress

1215. SHRI RAVULA CHANDRA SEKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of students reported committing suicide in each State during the last one year;

(b) the reasons identified therefor;

(c) whether Government have received any proposal to introduce stress-releasing measures and depute counselors to help the students to cope with extreme stress-related problems;

(d) if so, whether Government have consulted the States to solve this problem permanently;

(e) if so, the suggestions received from the States in this regard; and

(f) the progress achieved so far in this direction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) and (b) Only Sporadic incidents of suicide by students in educational institutions, have come to the notice of the Government. Reasons for committing suicides by students include domestic, financial and stress/failure of exams etc.

(c) to (f) Apart from an emphasis on creating a comfortable academic environment in higher technical education institutions, steps taken by the